

Redistricting Commission

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Historical Summary

OPERATING BUDGET	FY 2003 Total App	FY 2003 Actual	FY 2004 Approp	FY 2005 Request	FY 2005 Gov Rec
BY FUND CATEGORY					
General	31,200	2,100	0	0	0
Percent Change:		(93.3%)	(100.0%)		
BY OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE					
Operating Expenditures	31,200	2,100	0	0	0

Division Description

The Constitutions of the United States and the State of Idaho require that congressional and legislative district boundaries be redrawn after each decennial census to equalize the population among districts and ensure that every citizen's vote carries the same weight, supporting the principle of "one person one vote." From statehood until 1994, when the Idaho Constitution was amended to establish a six-person, bipartisan Commission on Redistricting, the new district lines were drawn by the Legislature after each census. Beginning with the 2000 census, that responsibility has been delegated to the Redistricting Commission. The Redistricting Commission was mandated to fulfill its statutory responsibilities of drawing new legislative and congressional districts within 90 days beginning sometime after June 1, 2001. In accordance with Section 72-1507, Idaho Code, the Legislative Council furnished secretarial and other staff assistance as the commission required in the performance of its duties. This support was furnished through the Legislative Services Office under the direction of Legislative Council.